5. Improvements of Livestock.

6. Eradication of Pests and Diseases.

Separate statistics for the work done by each have not been maintained except the annual reports received from them.

(c) Yes. The Department is following the line of work defined in the Land Revenue Manual; since the Department was equipped, the co-operation of the public used to be sought for in times of need and advice given on the improved methods of cultivation. As much as about 600 acres of land must have been planted with fruit trees and the like by the plants supplied by the Department and about 250 acres have been cultivated with improved and selected Strains of paddy.

Loans—Grains for cultivation—Agricultural Department.

90. Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether grain for cultivation was loaned by the Agricultural Department in 1112; if so, in which taluk and to whom;

(b) what were the conditions in which such loans were made?

Mr. K. Krishna Warriar *(Director of Agriculture).*—(a) 1,045 paras of paddy seeds were loaned to 207 persons who are poor ordinary tenants of farmers in the Trichur taluk.

(b) The loans are to be returned in kind with 10 per cent interest per season and in cases of default they will be recovered with additional interest according to the provisions of the Revenue Recovery Act, if found necessary.

Credits Society of Agriculturists—Starting of.

91. Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

whether any propaganda or attempt had been made in recent times to start (i) Controlled credit societies for agriculturists;

(ii) marketing societies for agriculturists, and

(iii) Industrial marketing Societies in the State; if so, when; with what results?

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Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies.)*—(i) Propaganda and attempts were being made not only in recent times but from the very beginning to work Societies on controlled credit system.

(ii) A society called the Agricultural marketing Society was started and it is working at Vadakkancheri. Village Societies also are showing an inclination to market the agricultural produce of their members.

(iii) All the Industrial societies are marketing their products.

	Society.	*Started on.*	*Remarks*
1.	Eriyad Industrial C. S.	20—3—11	Quite successful.
2.	Kanjiramittom Pattaria C. S.	13—6—07	Do
3.	Cranganur Weaver's C.S.	10—6—12	Just begun work.
4.	Perimpilli C. S.	26—4—12	Do
5.	Viswakarma C. S:	8—6—95	Fairly successful.
6.	Narakkal Cottage Industrial C. S.	11—2—11	Quite successful.
7.	Kunnamkulam Home Industrial C. S.	27—8—11	Do

Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—With reference to (1) may I know whether there is any success in the attempt?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—I do not think that it can succeed very much here.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—Has any controlled credit society been started here?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—I do not think any such society has been started here.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—May I know whether the control system is attached to any ordinary society in our state?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—It is rather impracticable.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—May I know whether the control credit system is obtaining in British India?

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Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—It is not obtaining in British India.

Economic depression relief measures—Adjournment motion regarding.

92. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur).*—Will the Government be pleased to furnish the information, indicated in their answer 'I want notice' on page 103 of the Official Report of the House, Fourth Series, Vol. IV, Part 2?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—An adjournment motion was tabled by Mr. P. Krishna Menon, Member for Vadakkancheri, but was withdrawn on his getting convinced of the earnestness of the Government in the matter.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—Was not, Sir, the wording of the adjournment motion like this:—'The delay in adopting measures Nos. 2 and 3 decided upon as mentioned in Diwan's order R. 4/470/1109 dated 28th November 1933, for mitigating the effects of the present depression on the agricultural interests in the State and to record the Council's request to adopt them forthwith?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—The Hon'ble member is right.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (*Cranganur*).—Item No. 2 of the Diwan's order reads like this:—"Secondly —A Bill will be introduced in the next session of the Legislative Council to limit the rate of interest particularly on secured loans. Such a measure is fully justified by the very large fall which has occured in prices one of the effects of which has been a great increase in the amount of debts reckoned in terms of commodities and as a result in the amount of interest payable on them.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—There was such a statement made.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (*Cranganur*).—Was there not an assurance from the Government to this effect "Before that question is put I should like to make a short statement. The question is engaging the very earnest attention of the Government and we would not lose any time in the matter? Therefore I do not know whether there is any need for bringing this adjournment motion".

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—Yes in fact it is the next question.

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